

February 10, 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

THROUGH : Assistant Director, Intelligence Coordination

FROM : Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence

SUBJECT : Unidentified Flying Objects

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1. PROBLEM

To disseminate findings of the Scientific Advisory Panel on "unidentified flying objects".

2. DISCUSSION

This Panel was convened by the Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence following agreement of such action by the Intelligence Advisory Committee at the 4 December 1952 meeting. Meetings were held 14 - 17 January. Lists of personnel concerned and of documentary evidence presented are attached as Tabs A and B, respectively. This office concurs in the conclusions and recommendations contained in the Panel Report (Tab C, summarized in Tab D). It is believed appropriate to transmit copies of the Panel Report to the Secretary of Defense; the Director, Federal Civil Defense Administration; and the Chairman, National Security Resources Board after such intention has been made known to the Intelligence Advisory Committee. Letters of transmittal have been prepared and are being held in the Office of Scientific Intelligence until Intelligence Advisory Committee reaction to such dissemination has been obtained. In view of the findings of the Panel, no further consideration of a National Security Council Intelligence Directive on the subject appears warranted. However, this office will continue to watch reports of sightings as long as significant dangers to national security persist. Should spectacular developments occur, it would be possible to reconvene the Panel to appraise new evidence.

3. ACTION RECOMMENDED

That a memorandum be submitted to the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee:

- a. Transmitting the Panel Report.
- b. Signifying intention to transmit copies of the Panel Report to the Secretary of Defense; the Director, Federal Civil Defense Administration; and the Chairman, National Security Resources Board.
- c. Stating that CIA concludes that no National Security Council Intelligence Directive on this subject is warranted. (Tab E).

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CONCURRENCE:

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